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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2003. Applicants respectfully elect, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-3, 6-10 drawn to an oxytocin secretion regulator comprising a ligand peptide for a G protein coupled receptor, wherein the amino acid sequence for said ligand peptide represented by SEQ ID NO:44 is SEQ ID NO: 3, 18 or 32, and use of said ligand to regulate oxytocin secretion and use of ligand peptide to manufacture oxytocin secretion regulator.

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The present election is made solely to comply with the Office Action and should not be construed as a surrender of any subject matter in the application. The right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims and species of the invention is reserved.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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